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Councillor resigns

Chad Ingram Staff reporter

Gary Schultz has resigned from Algonquin Highlands coun-

Councillors accepted a resignation letter from the Ward 3 councillor at their July 21 meeting.

"I have mixed feelings about taking this step as I fully intended to be able to serve the municipality for my full term," his letter read. "However, the sale of our business/property has unexpectedly gone through and we will no longer officially reside within the municipality by that date. It is my intention to relocate with my family to a location outside of the country and, despite the nostalgia of leaving our home and friends, we are all very excited about making a move to warmer climates."

Schultz, who was elected in the fall election, recently sold the Algonquin Lakeside Inn, which he operated for the last decade.

Last week he told the paper he was weighing his options and while there had been rumours circulating he'd purchased a resort in Costa Rica, he said he'd not yet purchases another business, but intended to.

Schultz's letter said he'd spoken to constituents who'd urged him to stay and he urged council to call a byelection to find his replacement.

While a byelection is one option, the municipal act also allows council to appoint a replacement.

Council has planned a special council meeting for Aug. 13

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Fun with firefighters

Firefighter Don Stromberd helps four-year-old Kaitlyn Tanti try on an authentic firefighters' uniform on July 19 at the Minden Hills fire station. More photos from Make It Minden on page 8. **Angelica Blenich** Times staff



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Two crashes send people to hospital

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Minden Hills firefighters and county EMS personnel rescued three people from this car after it crashed into a swamp near the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 121 about 2 p.m. on July 22. The three were removed by stretcher and taken to the Minden hospital. Chad Ingram Times staff

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Two collisions in the Minden Hills area on Friday afternoon sent people to hospital with injuries.

A 14-year-old boy was injured when his ATV collided with a truck on Contau Lake Road near Irondale at about

The boy was airlifted from the Minden hospital.

The driver of the truck, a 60-year-old man, was also injured.

Around the same time, a car crashed

into a swamp south of Minden at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 121. The vehicle's three occupants, some bleeding, were removed by stretcher. All three were conscious, the severity of their injuries unknown.

The scene was attended by the Minden Fire Department, the OPP and the county EMS department.



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Boshkung property owners donate to community

In recognition of the good work done by volunteers across the county, the Boshkung Lake Property Owners' Association decided to make donations to five area organizations.

The Stanhope firefighters' association, Minden Food Bank, Minden hospital, fish hatchery and Food for Kids each will receive \$250 from the asso-

"In the past, there have been donations to a couple of things," association president Sue Yallop said, noting this year there was more money to go

In previous years the association has given to the food bank and hospital.

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Breaking ground on local farming

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The Haliburton County Farmers' Association held an open house in Minden last week.

The event, held at the Minden Hills Community Centre on July 20, was an opportunity for those who might have an agricultural itching to ask questions to some of the county's farmers.

"We basically decided we wanted to have an information, sort of drop-in meeting," explained association president Andrea Coysh, who raises ducks, geese and chickens just outside of Minden.

There were 14 booths set up in the community centre last week, manned by people with experience in everything from garlic growing to grains to beekeeping.

While Haliburton County doesn't have a reputation as a place with abundant farm land, Coysh pointed out it is possible to grow crops here.

"There are pockets where things can be grown," she said. "You just have to fertilize ... treat the ground right."

Farming in the county poses other unique challenges.

"Probably the most unique one is our distance from everything," Coysh said.

For those who raise livestock, the closest slaughterhouses are in the Lindsay area.

Coysh said locals will often ship their livestock as a group, a sort of carpool.

"If you want to sell at auction, it's Woodville or Cookstown," she said.

Still, many locals find the experience gratifying.



Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Chad Ingram Times staff

The Haliburton County Farmers' Association held an open house at the Minden Hills Community Centre on July 20, offering an opportunity for those interested in farming to ask questions and pick up information.

The association, which has existed since the 1940s, has more than 100 members.

For more information on the farmers'

association, visit www.haliburtoncounty-farmersassociation.com.

Township may choose not to hold byelection

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at the Oxtongue Community Centre and residents are urged to attend and give their input as to how to move forward.

If there is no more than one interested candidate, it is likely council will simply appoint that individual to the position.

"Byelections cost money," Reeve Carol Moffatt said, stressing there would be no need to spend money on a byelection if Schutz's replacement would take the seat by acclamation anyway.

If there are two or more interested parties, it is likely an official by election will be held

"This is the perfect solution, as far as I'm concerned," Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen said.

Moffatt wanted to remind people that Schultz's position is already attached to certain committees and duties, which councillors sorted out amongst themselves early in the term.

"The table's set . . . they're filling an empty space," she said.

The meeting is to start at 10 a.m.



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Still time to sign up for triathlon



Registration numbers for annual Stanhope Firefighters Association event are low this year

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

The Stanhope Firefighters Association is promising an experience for all ages at the 14th annual Stanhope Firefighters Triathlon on Saturday, Aug. 20.

It's an event that has been regularly marked on the calendars of local triathletes for more than decade and with its offering of three distances (sprint, "get your feet wet," and kid sized), it provides a sporting event for the entire family.

"The whole family can come and participate in some shape, way or form. If the mom and dad want to race in the sprint the kids [can] do 'get your feet wet,' which is really small for people just starting or the really young ones, George Sharp, event organizer and a captain with the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department Station 80 said. "We encourage parents or older siblings to ride along with the little kids as well. It's just great to make sure everybody has a good day. And if you don't race you can volunteer. You have just as much fun volunteering."

All ages are welcome to volunteer since people will be paired up.

Volunteers should expect to commit a few hours the morning of the event, but start and end times are somewhat flexible and will vary with the different postings.

"If you're the finish line person we kind of want you to stay until everyone has cross the finish line. If you're working the start line then you can leave after everybody's in the water," he said. "We need people for different times, but basically between 7 a.m. and noon."

Currently registration numbers are low, but organizers are optimistic that participants will register closer to the day of the event. However they encourage participants to take advantage of the early bird registration deadline of Aug. 7 to not only save the \$20, but to receive the event T-

Registration is \$60 for adults and \$40 for children 12 and under before Aug. 7.

Last year the event drew 250 participants, which has progressively grown from the 52 it drew in its first year.

The distances for each are: sprint (750 m swim, 20 km bike, and 5 km run), "get your feet wet" (375 m swim, 10 km bike and 2.5 km run) and kid sized (100 m swim, 3 km bike and 1 km run.

Like previous years, the course remains the same with the start of the swim from the Beech Lake beach, a cycle around North Shore Road and the run that ends at the Stanhope Museum grounds.

Last year the sprint and the "get your feet wet" races overlapped, limiting the duration of the event to a finish just past noon.

"In the past, because we used to run three separate races [at three separate times], they all would run right into the afternoon. Now that we combine the two bigger races we just have to reset the course at about 10:30 p.m. and run the kid sized one, which is over in [30 minutes] then it's 11 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. we're handing out the prizes and everybody is out of there for lunch," he said.

There is a plan to expand the transition areas to account for the overcrowding, Sharp said, moving the entire area off the sand and grass to the asphalt.

This event is the association's first of two major fundraisers in the year with the other being the ATV Poker Run in late September.

The event has helped the association fund most recently a fireboat, but has also enabled the purchase of fire rescue equipment and tools.

This is Sharp's sixth year organizing the event and he continues to enjoy it.

"I really enjoy putting that race together and seeing the hard work come to fruition where everybody has a great time. I found out a long time ago that was equally important as making the money," he said.

For event information visit the website:www.stanhopefire.org/triathlon.html.



Darren Lum Times staff

Minden resident Blake Paton expects to participate in the 2011 Stanhope Firefighters Triathlon on Saturday, Aug. 20. He has posted impressive finishes, including a few wins.

Fire bans cancelled in Minden Hills, Highlands East

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter



Fire bans for Minden Hills and Highlands East have been lifted after rain quenched tinder-dry conditions across Hal-

Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell and Highlands East fire chief Bill Wingrove simultaneously agreed a ban was necessary due to the dry conditions throughout the region, effective July 21, but cancelled them July 26.

After consultation with the MNR, Schell decided to lift the ban after a large amount of rain fell earlier in the week.

Wingrove lifted the ban for Highlands East July 26, but said it is likely the municipality will impose one again this summer if weather conditions continue.

Schell said this is the first time a ban has been imposed

According to Schell, municipalities within the county are hesitant to impose a fire ban due to the increased number of calls received at the various fire halls.

The decision to forgo imposing a countywide ban was a result of varying conditions of dryness throughout the region, Dysart el at fire chief Miles Maughan said

No ban was ever issued for the municipality of Algonquin Highlands.

As of July 21, there were 10 fire bans throughout the province, according to Mel Maki, Ministry of Natural Resources fire prevention and compliance specialist for the northeast

Regions currently affected by a ban include west Parry Sound, Severn Township, Marmora and Lake, Stonemills, Prince Edward County, Scugog, Centre Hastings, Ramara, Brock and Madoc.

'There may be more that we have not been made aware of," Maki said.

There are a number of things to consider before the implementation of a fire ban, he said.

Key points the MNR outlines to municipalities include current and forecasted weather, fire behaviour, fire occurrence, resource availability, time of year and adjacent fire

Municipalities can also consider a gradual restriction.

According to the MNR, the intent is to gradually reduce the number of open-air fires before instilling a complete

A forest fire situation update provided by the MNR on July 25 had Haliburton County classified as a low danger

On July 24 the MNR reported a fire occurring in Algonquin Park, near Canisby Lake, measuring 0.1 hectares. The cause of the fire is unknown.

As of July 25 the fire was under control.

\$2 million in outstanding taxes in AH

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Some Algonquin Highlands residents owe the township money.

A lot of money.

At a July 21 council meeting, it was revealed there are some \$2 million worth of unpaid taxes in the township and councillors passed a bylaw to begin the tax registration process for those properties.

Some property owners owe as much as \$30,000.

"Our municipality is going to implement an aggressive tax collection process over the next few months," read a report from treasurer Tammy McKelvey. "For those property owners that do not make reasonable payment arrangements to address the tax arrears, staff will commence tax registration procedures pursuant to the provisions of the municipal act."

McKelvey, the former Dysart et al chief administrative officer who replaced former Algonquin Highlands treasurer Sheila Griffin in the spring, stressed that arrears need not be paid all at once and the township was more than willing to make reasonable agreements with people.

Property owners have one year after their properties are

registered to make arrangements before the township can put the properties up for sale.

The township will undertake the services of Realtax Inc. for the tax registration procedures, with the costs being

Even with the company's services, the process will still eat up staff time and councillors passed a scale of costs bylaw for the registration process. It contains the following costs: registration of tax arrears certificate at \$200; first notice of tax arrears certificate at \$50; final notice of tax registration at \$50; cancellation certificate at \$100; preparation of extension agreement and bylaw at \$150; and tax sale at

At the meeting, councillors also passed a series of bylaws cleaning up a number of errors within the treasury department dating back a number of years.

"The township owns several properties that have continued to assessed on the roll and therefore issued tax bills on the tax system over the years," another report from McKelvey read.

The properties should have been exempted from taxa-

"Regrettably this was not completed at the time the land was purchased by the township or vested in the municipality's name," the report continued. "As a result, taxes were levied and penalty/interest charges added monthly and these outstanding balances need to be written off."

The total cost for these write offs is just less than

The township has an allowance for uncollectable taxes of \$50,000 to be used to offset the township's portion of the write offs.

'The county and education portion of these taxes will be charged back in the year end reconciliations where applicable," McKelvey's report read.

There were other write offs for similar oversights.

The township owes more than \$23,000 in payment in lieu of taxes on lands owned by the province or federal government, an unbudgeted expense.

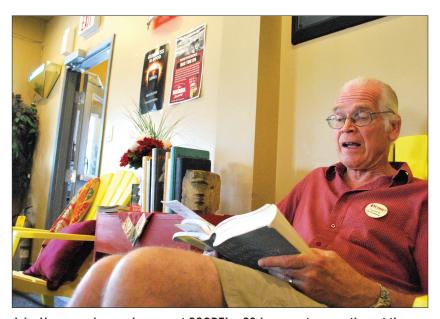
More than \$1,400 in taxes on land owned by the MNR were written off as uncollectable as was nearly \$500 in tipping fees owed to the township by a former resort owner.

Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen expressed concern the mistakes had not been picked up by auditors, but McKelvey said she thought the issues had been flagged.

"We'll fix it up and move forward," said Reeve Carol Moffatt, who repeatedly referred to McKelvey as "the new sheriff in town.

Councillors commended McKelvey for her work in finding and sorting out the oversights.

Artists in the Schools scores with Dominion poetry marathon



John Unrau read several poems at SCORE!, a 20-hour poetry marathon at the Dominion Hotel on July 20. The event, a partnership between the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network, the Conjurers of County Town, the RedEyedDeer Press and the Dominion, was a fundraiser for the Artists in the Schools program. /Chad Ingram



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our editorial

Replacing Schultz

O, ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS is down one at the council table after the resignation last week of Councillor Gary Schultz.

The acceptance of a resignation letter from Schultz on July 21 ended weeks of

speculation that the Ward 3 councillor would step down after his Oxtongue Lake business was sold.

Of course, none of us can predict the future and unexpected opportunities can sometimes arise. However, if I'd voted for Schultz in the fall election, I'd be perfectly pissed that my representative was leav-

ing the party before it had really even gotten started.

Schultz beat incumbent Diane Griffin soundly in the fall election, an indicator that the majority of the community had faith in him. If you're going to run for office, you should be completely prepared to serve the people who voted for you for your full term.

Now council is charged with the task of finding a replacement for Schultz. I say council because the group has an extraordinary amount of power over how the replacement process will work.

While a byelection is one option, the municipal act also permits council to simply appoint a replacement. I was somewhat surprised to see this is an

option since it seems so fundamentally undemocratic.

It does, however, make sense to avoid the costs of a byelection and simply appoint a replacement if only one interested candidate comes forward.

> Council is heading in the right direction, holding a special meeting of council in Oxtongue Lake on Aug. 13 to discuss the issue with residents. Involving the Ward 3 community in the process is paramount since its members, not council, should decide on Schultz's replacement.

If there is any more than one interested candidate, councillors

should call a byelection. Finding even one interested person may be a chal-

Whoever replaces Schultz will have to hit the ground running, catching up to colleagues quickly on matters of council protocol and the ongoing issues of the township. As I've written in this space before, I have profound respect for anyone who gets involved in small community politics. The work is much, the pay is lousy and it opens one up to heaps of public scrutiny.

Let's hope Oxtongue Lake can find someone who will put the community's interests at heart. And let's hope this one sticks.



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no landfill

To the Editor,

Re: More talk on landfill card policy, July 20

This issue has been discussed over the past few years and keeps arising as it appears Mr. Wunker is not happy with the process or the

My understanding is that Mr. Wunker owns the land that comprises his business and is the taxpayer of record with a corresponding tax roll number. I have verified the information by reviewing the tax rolls at the township office. There is no record of his tenants on the tax roll.

The tenants do not pay taxes, as has been inferred in the paper. They are renters. Mr. Wunker pays the taxes as he owns the land.

If Mr. Wunker allows the tenants to make improvements to their trailers (and this is

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points of view

A strange 'hoo' done it

T'M PROBABLY A LITTLE BEHIND the curve on this one, but I think it's high time we had a frank and honest discussion about "owling."

Just in case it ever catches on, I

In case you've never heard of it, owling is a new trend where young people perch atop of unusual places, pose like owls and then post the photos on the Internet. It's further proof that something has gone horribly wrong. But, perhaps I judge prematurely.

This is apparently the evolution of planking, another recent trend in which people essentially lay face down in different and, often dangerous spots, while they pretended to be planks. In the old days, we used to call it getting stupid drunk and it was frowned upon.

Obviously, planking is weird. But owling ... well that's just plain embar-

rassing. And not just for the owls.

Sure, on the surface, it seems like a perfectly natural and even normal thing to do. I mean who among us (no

pun intended) hasn't at one time or another felt the incredible urge to pose like an owl at the top of statue or church steeple?

I did once. But, I suspect that had a lot to do that fact that I just took a line drive to the head.

Seriously, where does this thought process come from? At what point in your teen-

aged years are you so bored that this is what you come up with to help while away the hours? Who was the first person to say, "I know! Let's all pretend to be owls?" And why didn't they get ostracized?

OK, I'm not real good at predicting trends, but I'm guessing that this is going to be one of those things that won't last all that long. Mark my

words – unless they can spice things up, by coughing up pellets, swivelling their heads 360 degrees or swooping down on unsuspecting rabbits – I predict the whole owling trend will be passé by about the fall migration. Let's be honest, even with these tricks it's not all that interesting.

For the love of God, you

sit still on a perch!

And yet it has made the *Washing-ton Post* and several other big name publications. So, just maybe, I might be missing something. Maybe I'm just too blind to see the important soci-

etal implications of this trend. Maybe I'm missing some very obvious artistic statement.

I mean owls are supposed to be wise right? Perhaps these kids are trying to send a clear message that we need to be wiser than we currently are. Or maybe they're trying to tell us that no good comes from doing stupid things – like owling, for instance.

Strange as it may seem, I'm starting to think that owling is a harmless pastime and maybe even a step in the right direction. Sure it's not exactly what I would choose to do on a day off. And I think I'd be a little weirded out if an owler were perched outside my window.

But you have to admit that it's a whole lot better than planking. At least owlers aren't board stiff.

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Eat or be eaten

Neil Campbell

Back of Beyond

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Beyond 35

WOULD THROW A FISH to The Brown Dog Jiggs except I don't happen to have a trout in my pocket on this warm summer day.

When the heat of July is turned way up high, The Brown Dog likes to bask just over the brow of my driveway in the shadow of my pickup, just north of the point where uphill turns into downhill.

Most times I don't even know he's there until I call his name and he stands up and looks around, dazed by his slumber, defining torpor.

It is the kind of day when the deer flies torment him. His head reaches up out of his recline, his nose circling, tracing the flight of a Crysops looking for a safe flight path to his muzzle.

The tilt of his long smooth collie head gives him the look of a brownheaded circus seal, waiting to be thrown a fish by its trainer. For Jiggs, special circumstances demand special responses, and to heck with appearances

And so he waits patiently until a careless carnivore swoops just a little low and there is a loud chomp and a gulp.

It is self-preservation, not the flavour

of the fly that excites his appetite. Flies that ride his coat into the cabin and avoid his chomps seem to die a natural

death. Perhaps indoor air is toxic to them.

A few minutes indoors and a half-dozen fly carcasses lie on the kitchen floor. Jiggs scorns the protein tidbits. Better to bite than be bitten, but their biting days are over and so he ignores them.

So far I have been calling them deer flies, though some of his assailants might

be horse flies. Lumped together there are about a hundred species of the chewers in Ontario, and most of them seem to have showed up on Sapsucker Ridge this summer.

Horse flies are bigger and can take bigger chunks out of you than their deerish cousins, but they prefer larger prey than dogs and humans, especially

They're easy enough to tell apart, I'm told, but if they get close enough for that, I skip identification and squash them beyond recognition.

Haliburton spends most of May and

June whining about mosquitoes and black flies, but they're only a warmup for the annoyances to come.

Unless your hands are filled with swimming or fire-wood, you can always slap at the flies but four-legged creatures have no limbs to spare for swatting. If you see a pasture full of running cattle, chances are they're fleeing flies, a hopeless race against an insect that can rev up to 112 klicks.

Jiggs' defences consist mostly of giving himself a

good shake. There are advocates of protective lotions for The Brown Dog, but the sound of a spray can chases him into the next room and he is no fan of ointments.

So far, nothing I've tried has worked. Besides, flies that light on Jiggs don't chew on me.

His full coat, short as it is, discourages his tormenters, so they focus on his belly, his ears and his muzzle. They burrow into the seams at the base of his ears, leaving raw wounds that attract more flies.

The drought draped over so much

of this July was just about perfect for the tiny vampires – still air and bright sunshine. Cloud cover or the merest breeze puts them out of business.

Four flies cluster in a space the size of a loonie on The Brown Dog's muzzle. He lies down on his side, brushes at the side of his head with a foreleg, slurps them off his nether regions, but he can't keep up with the reinforcements.

Get up, I suggest. Keep moving. You can't win staying still. When he sits up, I go on a fly-squashing rampage until my fingers are red with his blood. Behind an ear, I might get six flies in a single squish.

One fly avoids the mayhem, touching down on the side of his face. The Brown Dog flicks out his long tongue, curls and retracts, licks it up, and that's the end of that blood-sucker.

Jiggs the bullfrog. Jiggs the seal. On Sunday, Neil Campbell will be at Wintergreen Pancake House near Gelert with his book, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, a collection of his newspaper columns.

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Be aware of your food HST

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price of \$4.25 instead of something like \$3.93 - minus the Ontario sales tax portion. A heck of a lot of money over time considering the number of tourists who buy ice cream cones and the like.

Well, I found out it's illegal and vendors can actually lose their license if they fail comply to this rule.

Of course this particular regulation is never posted anywhere where the public can see it and be knowledgeable about it. Buyer beware and all that. And the kids who sell you this single service item declare to be totally ignorant, if not, when you point it out to them, they seem to have that attitude and glazed look which say, "Duh! I don't care!" and look at

you as someone very stupid. Never is the boss around, a boss who either deliberately chooses not to inform his staff of this regulation or to ignore this particular directive or chooses to be totally ignorant.

On the other hand, the larger established eateries in both Haliburton and Minden and other parts of the County seem more knowledgeable and don't charge the Ontario sales tax for food items under \$4.

If you phone the revenue people at 1-800-959-5525 or check their website at cra.gc.ca/ harmonization to learn all about it. Or check ontario.ca/revenue for a current version

> **Eddie Burke** Minden

Stinky situation with landfill

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one of the reasons other trailer parks do not allow this) then Mr. Wunker's property values increase as MPAC deems this as added value to his property, not to the tenants' trailers as the renters/leasees do not own the land and are not taxpayers.

If MPAC increases Mr. Wunker's assessment and subsequently if his taxes should rise, then Mr. Wunker has two choices - absorb the increase in taxes or, as is the usual practice, pass the increase on to the tenant.

If a taxpayer rents out their cottage, the owner can either take the garbage to the dump or issue the tenant with one of his cards (owners are entitled to two free cards per year per tax roll number).

Mr. Wunker as the property owner of a commercial business is responsible for the garbage. He has basically three choices: take the garbage to the dump himself, hire a local contractor at his expense or purchase additional cards at a cost of \$25 per card for each of his tenants as per township policy.

Mr. Wunker, as reported, does not want to purchase cards as it would mean more paperwork and be an inconvenience.

The township's waste management committee's recommendation does not support Mr. Wunker's request and as stated by Councillor Schell, the three other townships concur with the existing policy of Minden Hills.

If the only argument is that these renters are taxpayers, and they are not, then opening this up could be construed as a Pandora's box where do you draw the line?

> **Rick Ratcliff** Minden

Leave the councillors alone

To the Editor,

Week after week I've read complaints in the local papers regarding the current Minden council and how four of the councillors always vote together. It's always four-three with never a deviation. It occurs to me that means the other three councillors also always vote together, never deviate. Had those three been successful in securing another candidate to "their" side during the election the vote would, apparently, always be four-three for "their"

I went to the all-candidates meetings prior

to the election and listened carefully. I felt that all of the current elected councillors were articulate and intelligent in their responses. I believe that, given the chance, all the councilors will each vote using their intelligence and thoughtfulness. They are only a few months into their term, a term that has been laden with accusations from many sides. Let's stop the complaints and let them get on with

> Leslie Brown Minden

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Turn on the sirens

Cousins Avery Aubin-McDougall, centre, and Ethan Tweedy, right, get a chance to spray the hose at the Minden Hills fire hall as part of the weekly Make it Minden series on July 19. The demonstration included firefighters, OPP officers and EMS staff and allowed children of all ages to explore equipment and vehicles used by the various emergency personnel. Angelica **Blenich** Times staff



Four-year-old Emily Fitzell takes the wheel into her own hands at the Minden Hills fire



Two-year-old Jonathan Varela takes a backseat in the new tanker truck at the Minden Hills fire station.

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The workshop will be Saturday August 20 from 9am to 4pm.

To pre-register call the gallery at 705-286-3763

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Book Launch: Providence Island by Gregor Robinson Wednesday July 27 at 7 pm

Canadian author of short-story collection the Dream King and novel Hotel Paradiso brings his latest novel, set in the northern lakes of Ontario, to Minden Hills. Robinson has been nominated several times for literary prizes such as the Edgar Allen Poe Award. Providence Island is about a man returning to cottage country to bury his father, who is taken back to a tangled romance and the lonesome swamps that haunt his dreams in this suspenseful tale. Cottage Life Magazine called the book 'gripping'

For More information please contact the Cultural Centre at (705)286-3763 or culturalcentreinfo@mindenhills.ca

The Township of Minden Hills **Administration Offices**

Will be closed on Monday, August 1st, 2011 for the Civic Holiday

NOTICE TO TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS RATEPAYERS

This is to advise that the Township of Minden Hills will be accepting boat Shrink Wrap at the Scotch Line Landfill Site only, Scotch Line Road West, Minden, during July 1st to July 29th, 2011. The cost is \$5.00 per wrap and all wraps should be clean and free of foreign debris, nails, wood, ropes

(save for one rope to tie up the shrink wrap tightly).

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MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Every Friday night (with exceptions) 7:00 pm Music by the Gull- public dock -Gull River (Water Street) Minden

July 28th 9:00 am Council Meeting (open portion shall commence at 10:00 a.m.) Council Chambers

July 29th 6:00 pm Highland Yard (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED) July 30th Minden Lion's Club Toll Booth Sunnybrook Bridge, Minden

July 30th 8:00 am to 12:30 pm - Household Hazardous Waste Day - Scotch Line Landfill

August 11th to 14th Tea House of the August Moon, Marc **Schroetter**

August 1st Civic Holiday - Administration offices closed **August 5th and 6th Minden Horticultural Society Annual Flower Show, Minden Community Centre**

August 11th 9:00 am COTW/General Committee meeting (10:00 public session)

August 13th Minden Lion's Club Spaghetti Dinners 2011 **Minden Lion's Hall**

August 13th Minden Arena - Country Music Hoe Down (Host: **Community Care)**

Until August 25th – 7:00 pm Tuesday and Thursday evenings **Minden Ghost Walks**

August 25th 9:00 am Council Meeting (open portion shall commence at 10:00 a.m.) Council Chambers

Until September 2011 (Fridays) 1:00 - 5:00 pm Haliburton County Farmers' Market - Highway #118 just west of #35

PUBLIC NOTICE

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Statistics Canada recently sent out a National Household Survey to 1 in 3 Canadian households. We are asking for your assistance! We encourage everyone that received this survey to please complete and return same as soon as possible. The confidentiality of every survey form is protected by law. Only Statistics Canada employees who have taken an oath of secrecy who work directly with the NHS data will see the completed questionnaires. Households have the option of completing their questionnaire online - it is easy, secure and convenient. This survey will assist in providing a portrait of communities in 2011. It will provide a reference for decision makers not only at a federal and provincial level, but in our community too. For more information, please visit www.nhs.statcan.gc.ca

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Notice of a Public Meeting to Update the Official Plan for the Township of **Minden Hills**

Council for the Township of Minden Hills has initiated a work program to update its Official Plan. An Official Plan is a policy document of Council that establishes policies for the use and management of land in the Township. The current Official Plan for the Township was approved in 2005. The current Plan is therefore proposed to be updated to reflect current Provincial planning requirements, growth management projections as well as policies that protect environmental features and support future opportunities for economic development in the

Interested members of the public are welcome to attend a public meeting of Council to learn more about this important community project. The public meeting is being held in accordance with Section 26 of the Planning Act and will be held on:

> **Preliminary Public Meeting** Thursday, August 4th, 2011 at 7 pm the Minden Hills Community Centre 55 Parkside Avenue, Minden, Ontario

Subsequent to this initial public meeting of Council, there will be four Public Open House Workshops scheduled for the Official Plan Update which focus on core areas of interest. The schedule for these workshops

Open House Workshops #1 and #2 - Shoreline Land Use and The Lakes

- Friday, August 26 6 to 8 pm
- Saturday August 27 10 am to 12 noon
- Location Minden Hills Community Centre, 55 Parkside Avenue, Minden, Ontario

Open House Workshop #3 and #4 - Rural Land Use and Settlement Areas

- Tuesday, September 20 2 to 4 pm and 6 to 8 pm
- Location Minden Hills Community Centre, 55 Parkside Avenue, Minden, Ontario

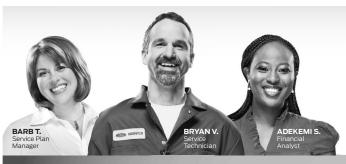
Please note that if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is approved, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of Planning Board to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Also please note that if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is approved, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you cannot attend the public meeting but would like further information regarding this Township's Official Plan Update, please contact Ms. Elinor Kernohan at the Township of Minden Hills at 705-286-1260, e-mail ekernohan@mindenhills.ca or Mr. Chris Jones of Meridian Planning Consultants (705) 737-4512 x224, e-mail at chris@meridianplan.ca.

Laura Cunliffe, **Interim Clerk**

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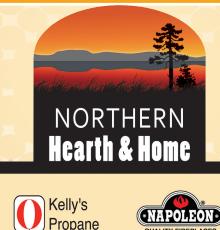
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Property owners' group forms over Rail Trail

Editor

County council will be dealing with another interested party as decisions regarding the Rail Trail are made.

A new group representing property owners with land next to, or leading up to, the 33-kilometre strip of public land wants to be recognized by local government and kept informed of changes to the trail.

"We need to establish a relationship with the county," said landowner Ute Wright at the group's first meeting July 20. "As landowners we have sometimes fallen between the

There is a special set of concerns that landowners have over other interest groups that often lobby county council regarding the trail, those who attended the meeting said, including how the trail affects enjoyment of their property.

Of the 15 people in attendance, all who spoke were con-



Ute Wright speaks to a group of landowners with property adjacent to the Rail Trail at a special meeting July 20 at the Lochlin Community Centre. The group wants to present a united front to county council on matters concerning the trail.

Jenn Watt Times staff

Financial Advice

with Susan Lee - Certified Financial Planner

Teaching Your Children About Money (Part 4)

Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada (OSB) www.hhpt://osb-bfs.ic.g.ca. They have developed 5 financial guides and 4 activity books a puzzle and a decision game. All to help parents/ guardians and teachers teach children about money. The teaching tools were developed because the OBS is dedicated to teaching consumers of all ages about the importance of financial planning and upon reviewing the material I think they have done a very good job of it.

From guide ages 13-15.

Making room for learning

Give your teens a chance to learn naturally without trying to force them. As a parent, concentrate more on guiding them in the right direction than on trying to accelerate the process. Be imaginative, and have fun.

Using this guide

This guide covers basic concepts such as budgeting, salary, credit and inflation. Consumption patterns and individual financial values are also discussed, as are financial responsibilities and finding a job. There are also individual sections on being a smart consumer and making your money grow. Tips on choosing a career are found in the last section. Before you read on, however, ask your teenagers the following openended questions designed to help you gauge their financial knowledge and attitudes toward money.

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- 2.A. What does it mean to have a lot of money?
- B. How much is a lot?
- 3. What is a debt?
- 4. What happens when you can no longer pay back what you owe? 5.A. Do you manage a bank account?
- B. Was that your choice?
- 6.Do you have a job?
- 7. How much money would it take for you to be able to stop working?
- 8. Where does your spending money come from?
- 9. Where do you spend most of your money?
- 10.What are income taxes?
- 11. Are you thinking about going to university?
- 12.A. What kind of work would you like to do?
- B. How much money would you like to earn? 13.What do you think about when you hear the following words:
- a. budget
- b. credit
- c. inflation
- d. investment
- 14. What percentage of your money do you save?
- 15.Do you like to talk about money?
- 16.Is there anything you would like to know about money?

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cerned about motorized vehicles on the trail.

Complaints included dust and debris kicked up by allterrain vehicles, the lack of enforcement of rules by the county, trespassers and safety.

'We can't have the windows open [for all the dust]," John Legemaate said at the meeting, held at the Lochlin Community Centre. "[ATVs] zip right through our driveway," Renie Legemaate added.

Jean Holloban recalled the change in the trail over the past 30 years. She said the ATVs on the trail made walking her dog unpleasant and unsafe.

Her only other option is to travel to Minden and use the in-town trails, she said.

'Why should we have to do that [go to Minden] when we live here? We should be able to do that [go for walks on the

Michelle St. Pierre was upset that the bylaws weren't enforced, allowing dogsled teams to train on the trail - a hazard to her own dogs.

The lack of enforcement of the bylaws - which stipulate a speed limit of 30 kilometres an hour, specific months of use for ATVs and prohibit motorbikes - fosters recklessness by many users, the group felt.

There's a hooligan element," Bruce Payne said, describ-

ing riverbeds that had been torn up by bikes.

Others agreed that the trail leads to trespassing by users onto private land.

Dick Charron noted that in other areas, taxpayers were able to get their taxes reduced since adjacent trails had diminished the value of the property. "That's a tangible issue." Pavne said.

Ken Sedgwick agreed.

'We have to put emphasis [with county council] that this is a financial issue," he said.

Many in the group thought that the Rail Trail should actually belong to the landowners, since the property was expropriated for a rail line long ago, not a public trail.

Following the group discussion, participants were asked to prioritize the statements made during the meeting.

No. 1 was fear of trespass on private trails, followed by a request for ATVs to have their own trail, the lack of enforcement, a desire to mimic Quebec's trail system and lack of respect for private property.

With these priorities outlined, the group plans to represent the specific issues of landowners to county council.

Council will soon begin a community engagement strategy on the Rail Trail, conducted by Kate Hall, which should be completed by the end of the year.

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AH approved for **HCDC** funding

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands township has been approved for funding from the Haliburton County Development Corporation for research pertaining to the potential relocation of the local MNR fire management base to the Stanhope Air-

Reeve Carol Moffatt announced at a July 21 council meeting the township had been approved for \$15,000 of the \$30,000 it had requested through a community capacity funding application.

"They believed in our process and our application," said Moffatt, who added this was the main "iron in the fire" she'd been referring to regarding development at the air-

The MNR is considering moving its local fire management base from Haliburton to Stanhope and Moffatt hopes the MNR project would be a moderate and publicly acceptable development option at the airport.

Before any cash can flow, however, HCDC must wait to see if it will get the funding it requires for local projects from the federal government.

Its funding was affected by the May federal election.

HCDC general manager Andy Campbell has said he hopes the corporation will get word by the end of the sum-

The money would have to be spent by March.



Angelica Blenich Times staff Going wild in Irondale

Chef Fred Simmons, left, is happy guests are enjoying his food at the Irondale Historical Society wild game dinner on July 23 at Galwal Hall near Kinmount. A fundraiser for the society, the dinner and auction raised nearly \$6,000 and was a sold-out affair. Funds raised from the dinner will go towards preserving Irondale Church, which was recently designated a historical building under the Provincial Heritage Act.

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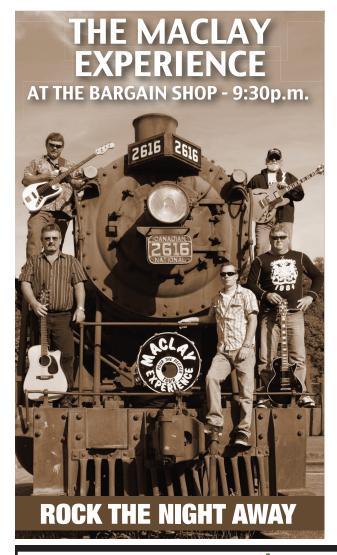
















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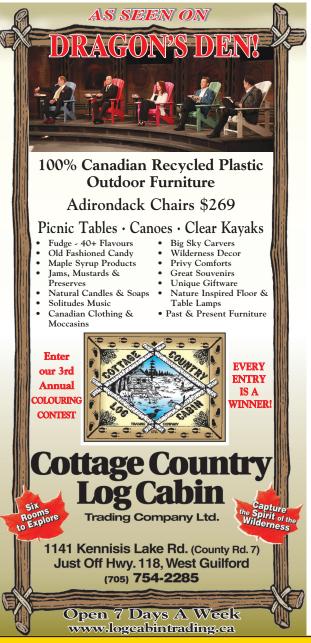
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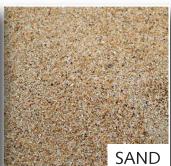


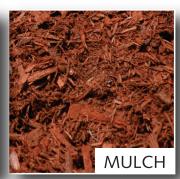




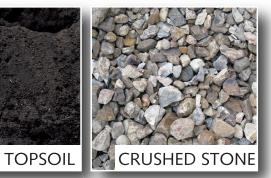
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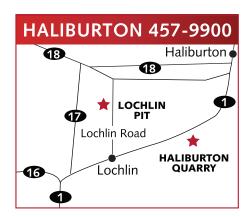








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Walk the historic IB&O

Column by Jenn Watt • Photo by Steve Galea

alk the IB&O rail trail and you're literally walking the path of European history in Highlands East.

Cut into the forests, along rivers, lakes and lots of rocks, the trail weaves its way from Gooderham to Wilberforce through Tory Hill.

In its day, it carried people as well as provisions from the city to the hamlets dotting the Highlands.

Elva Bates, in her book on the Gooderham area, details the importance of the train to the hamlet in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

"It was an exciting event when the train came into town with its whistle blowing, brakes screeching and its smokestack belching," she writes in *A Journey Through Glamorgan's Past*. "The mail and all the freight that came into the village arrived on the train three times a week and everyone would be on hand to see if their order had arrived: supplies for the grocery stories, supplies for Hunter's Sawmill, horse feed for the farmers and the Howrey Lumber Company, even parcels from Eaton's mail-order catalogue."

Though the IB&O (Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa) line was dismantled in 1960 after a 72-year run, it is still possible to find old rail ties as you walk along the flat path.

Shared with ATVs, horseback riders and cyclists, the trail can be bumpy in places, but offers wildlife and some spectacular scenery.

There are many access points to this trail and places to stop for a rest or a snack, depending on how long you want your journey to be.

At its west-most point, the trail can be accessed at McColls Road, just south of County Road 503 east of Gooderham. There is some parking here and the trail quickly enters a wetland, followed by the rushing river.



Wetlands abound on the IB&O rail trail – a 14-kilometre path from Gooderham to the outskirts of Wilberforce.

Follow the path for eight kilometres and you'll find yourself in the hamlet of Tory Hill along the banks of McCue Lake.

The trail comes out at the community park, which has been rejuvenated by enthusiastic community members in the past few years. This used to be the resting place of a boxcar used until the late 1980s for storage.

On Sundays, the Tory Hill Farmers' Market can be a pleasant end point (or break) for hikers.

The other portion of the trail travels from Tory Hill to Essonville Line and Farr Road, west of Wilberforce.

This five-kilometre stretch offers more wetlands as well as Essonville Creek, a great spot to find wildlife.

As with any hiking in Haliburton County, bug spray or netting is a good idea as well as a compass or GPS unit. Though this trail is easy to follow, well maintained and flat, there is patchy cellphone reception, so pay attention to your surroundings and the distance travelled as you walk.

There is a full map in PDF format of the IB&O posted on the Trails and Tours website. Go to www.trailsandtours.com/trail/90 to find it.

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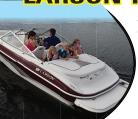
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Small boy, big fish

The following story was submitted by ing caught about 35 rock bass during proud mom Carrie La Ferle Edwards about her son's success fishing on Drag Lake.

Do you have a great family fishing story? Send it in to editor@haliburtonecho.ca.

At approximately 8:30 a.m. on Sunday July 17, on Drag Lake, visiting five-yearold grandson to Dave and Phyllis La Ferle pulled in a three-pound, 18.5-inch smallmouth bass with his Bugs Bunny fishing rod.

Anderson Edwards of Dallas, Texas, comes every July with his sister Jordan, 7, and his parents to visit Nana and Papa La Ferle at Snughaven, a family cottage for more than 75 years. Already havthe trip, Anderson set out with his dad, sister and neighbour for their regular morning fishing fun.

However, this trip would provide the type of story that is re-told for years to come at the cottage.

After catching several rock bass, Anderson's line had a tug and he started to reel in what appeared to be another one.

But as the line was coming up, his dad, Steve Edwards, noticed a huge tug and when he looked down there was a smallmouth bass trying to swallow the rock bass.

Anderson kept reeling in the line while



Five-year-old Anderson Edwards of Dallas, Texas, caught this three-pound, 18.5-inch smallmouth bass on Drag Lake while visiting his grandparents, Dave and Phyllis La Ferle this July. He used his Bugs Bunny fishing rod. Photo submitted by Carrie La Ferle Edwards

Steve grabbed for the net and they were able to pull in both the bass with the rock bass in its mouth!

Anderson is part of a long history of fishing talent at the Snughaven cottage.

His great grandfather Charlie La Ferle, who originally purchased the property more than 75 years ago, was in the news for catching a 28 3/4 pound, 33.5 inch lake trout on May 24, 1951 in Drag Lake. Aug. 31, 1980, his grandfather, David La Ferle, caught a four-pound, two-ounce smallmouth bass followed on Sept. 27, 2001, by a four-pound, 9 oz. smallmouth bass in the same lake.

Anyone familiar with Drag Lake knows well that it is rare these days to catch anything but rock bass, so for Anderson to catch a nice sized bass and on his Bugs Bunny rod, brought much excitement to the shoreline upon his return.

Happy fishing tales and see you next year! Carrie La Ferle Edwards (the proud mom)



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Delivering To Your Area

Dinged in shipment

Column by Ted Morris • Photo by Angelica Blenich

he problem is simple. A 50-pound wood-fired water heater was dinged in shipment via courier.

But the three solutions are not – simple, that is. One lies with the supplier, the other is with the shipper, and the third rests with the credit card company.

Minor problems were created by time and geography.

Time

The tank was ordered and shipped and received in April but the box was not opened until June.

"Why did you wait so long to open it?" UPS asked. "Because I didn't need it until June and I didn't want

the parts scattered around the house."

In the time between the purchase and the opening, the supplier in Winnipeg (who got the tank from Japan) seems to have developed communications problems. Their 1-800 number is no longer in service. Someone else has a recorded message on their business phone. Email? I used the only address I had but got no answer.

But I am still inside the envelope for the Visa user's-card insurance. Anything broken or stolen is covered for 90 days, and the April/June split is inside that period.

So being covered for loss three ways, I should be whistling. Right?

Wrong!

Geography

This is where geography kicks in. I ordered the heater from Winnipeg for delivery to my home in Toronto but it is to be used in our cottage in Haliburton. So I carried it in my trunk to Haliburton where the box was opened



Shipping a water heater was a simple problem mired by time and geography.

and the damage discovered.

Haliburton was where I discovered that the supplier in Winnipeg had gone incommunicado. Even Google disowned them, saying their website was inaccessible.

The shop in Winnipeg that had sent me the product had a three-year guarantee against manufacturer's defects. Defects, I assumed, included damaged goods. But the factory is in Japan.

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Since I could get no answers from the supplier, I called

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Getting a package to the cottage proves ... difficult

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the courier who made the delivery. UPS was most helpful, even sympathetic. I was to pack up the heater in the original box and their people would inspect the damages to assess a claim.

"The pickup will be in Toronto, the same address where we delivered," the

"Well, no," I replied. "We are living at the cottage now in Haliburton. Can you pick it up here, please?"

"No trouble. What's your address?"

"It's 1175 Rowbotham Lane, Haliburton, Ontario." I added "It's near Tory Hill."

"What's your postal code?"

"We don't have one."

"Everyone has a postal code. We can't do a pickup without a postal code."

"Well we don't have one." I informed him. "But the closest village is Wilberforce and your truck makes deliveries there regularly. They stop at Agnew's General Store. We are on the same route."

I had memories of the TV ad where the Caucasian in a brown uniform wends his way through a jumbled rickety high-rise warren in Hong Kong. He asks questions, follows pointing fingers, and eventually places an envelope in the hands of a beaming customer engaged in some kind of cottage industry. Can Wilberforce be more complicated than Hong Kong?

"We need your postal code," he repeated.

I explained carefully. "Postal codes are assigned to speed the delivery of mail. We do not get mail delivered to our cottage. No one on our road has mail delivery, and therefore no one on this road has a postal code. Do you understand?"

"We can't do a pickup without a postal code."

Which leaves Visa

Striking out on the first two, I telephoned Visa on the 1-800 number. The recorded voice assured me that my call was important to them and directed me through a labyrinth of buttons to press to get to the right person.

When a human finally spoke, she advised me that they did not handle claims, and that I should call the 1-800 number she would give me.

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"No, I don't. The transaction was by phone and shipping was by courier. But I have the waybill and tracking numbers and date of shipment."

"I'm sorry sir, but we will need a receipt."

"That's simple," I replied, never believing it, "we gave our Visa number when we ordered the heater and it was charged to our account. Since you are Visa all you have to do is check my account for the transaction."

"I'm sorry sir, but I can't do that. We

are a third party. Can you check on your monthly statement? It should be there."

"But my monthly billing is in Toronto and I am in Haliburton!"

"I am sorry sir. But a file has been opened and your claim is on record."

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Why are more women horseback riding?

Column by Marguerite Easby

anada's equine industry is increasingly being defined and directed by women. At many riding stables, the ratio of women to men is 10 to one, and owners of local tack stores confirm that most of their customers are women. In a 2006 study of horse farms by the University of Guelph, 88 per cent of the respondents were women, and the average Canadian horse-owners are females between the ages of 40 and 49. Canada has come a long way in gender equality in horse racing, from 40 years ago when male jockeys would boycott races if women tried to compete, to Emma Jane Wilson winning the Queen's Plate in 2007.

More women are starting to ride as adults, or are returning to riding after years gone by. For the first time in their lives, they now have the time and money to focus on horseback riding. But why choose this sport?

For one thing, it is an enjoyable form of exercise: riding burns up to 236 calories per hour for a 130-pound woman. When you increase the speed and distance you ride, you increase the intensity of your workout and the number of calories you burn up.

"Try doing a posting trot for 30 solid minutes and you will see how the muscles in your thighs are begging for a break," said Bonnie Pentrey of Minden, who started riding horses six years ago.

"I have gotten to be good friends with so many people whom I would never have met unless I was involved with horses," Pentney said.

Because riding involves muscle coordination to achieve the correct posture, balance and stability, it provides excellent strength and balance training for the thighs and legs.

"The core muscles of the abdomen and back work together for balance. The gluts, quads and hams get a unique



Tamara Wilbee is one example of women horseback riders in the county. She sits atop her Arabian mare Flicka.

workout in a different manner than any other sport I'm involved in," said downhill skier Karen Robinson, a Redstone Lake cottager who just started to ride.

Riding can provide a release of ten-

sion after a long and stressful work day. When you concentrate on a lesson or a riding session, you tend to forget everything else. Karen Robinson found that "horseback riding can be as therapeutic

as practising yoga or meditation" and the need to keep calm when working with a horse "can be transferred and be useful in many areas of life outside of riding".

For the Ontario Equine Federation certified coach Lorrie McCauley, the physical benefits of riding are important, but it is also good for the mind.

"There is a lot of reasoning, thinking and working at finding a mutual respect between you and the horse," McCauley said. She has observed that adults and children approach riding differently.

"Kids take you at your word, but adults need to know why. Adults like to learn at a slower pace so they don't miss any steps, but they can be just as eager as younger riders."

Tamara Wilbee of Eagle Lake, who has returned to riding now that her children are older, challenges herself and her Arabian mare, Flicka, every time they ride. "Our latest challenge has been swimming," Wilbee said. Her goal this summer is to eventually cross Cranberry Lake on Flicka.

Horseback riding can bring family members together in a common endeavur. For Eagle Lake cottager Janet Dawson, who returned to riding after several years, riding has helped her maintain a close relationship with her teenage daughter. "Having the common bond of horses has been the basis of many conversations between us," Dawson said.

"You don't even feel like you are exercising. You are just enjoying it, and staying focused," said Sharon Barry of West Guilford.

A relationship with an equine companion can become a significant one; the trust that develops over time between a horse and rider can be very special.

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Horseback riding - staying fit and having fun

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"[The partnership that develops between] a beautiful, intelligent animal and human is astounding, wonderful and rewarding," said Robinson.

Anyone who is a resident of Haliburton County or has a cottage in the area already has an appreciation for the beauty and wonder of nature. Horseback riding heightens this appreciation and gets the rider outside and into nature, whether on a trail ride or in an arena. Before you start, it is imperative that you find an instructor that will teach the basics of horse care, groundwork, and, of course, riding. The versatility of the sport is something that coach McCauley has noticed.

"You get to choose which discipline works for you, from a hobby and trail riding to the show ring and anything in between," McCauley said.

There are many options in Haliburton for all these aspects of riding, and the OEF can be very helpful with lists of coaches, facilities, competitions, and events across Ontario. "No matter what your age or stage of life, it is never too early or too late to seek out the company of horses," said Dr. Rallie McAllister in her book Riding for Life. It may be a cliché, but it holds true that it's never too late to chase your dreams and pursue your passion, and Robinson agrees. "I love the fact that horseback riding is a sport that can be enjoyed all seasons and that there are no age limitations," Robinson said.

Pentry summed it up best. "Riding and working with horses ultimately helps me in my personal quest to be the best me I can be," Pentry said.

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Ontario spinach salad with grilled asparagus, Parmesan and mint

his salad would also be a wonderful light lunch or supper salad when served with some rolls.

Nutrients per serving

- (when recipes serves 6)
 - Protein: 8.0 grams
- Fat: 10.0 grams
- Carbohydrates: 7.0 grams
 - Calories: 150

Preparation Time: 15 Minutes Cooking Time: 3 Minutes

Servings: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

1 bunch (about 12 oz/375 g) Ontario asparagus, trimmed

Olive oil

Salt and pepper 1/4 cup (50 mL) olive oil

1/4 cup (50 mL) finely chopped fresh mint

2 tbsp (25 mL) lemon juice

1 tbsp (15 mL) honey mustard

1 clove Ontario garlic, minced

1 bunch Ontario spinach, washed, stemmed and torn into bite-size pieces (about 8 cups/2 L)

1/2 cup (125 mL) thinly slivered Ontario red onion

2 slices prosciutto, diced or cooked and crumbled

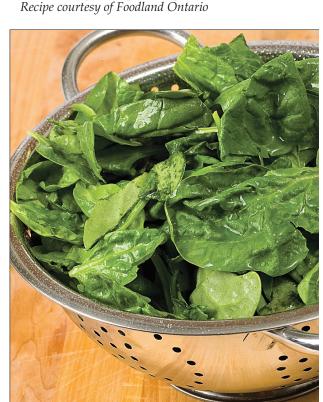
1/4 cup (50 mL) shaved parmesan or 2 tbsp (25 mL) grated Parmesan

Preparation:

Line up asparagus in row; skewer through centre using metal or soaked bamboo skewers. Lightly brush with oil; sprinkle with salt and pepper to taste. Barbecue over medium heat until tender, three to six minutes. Slice into two-inch (5 cm) pieces.

In small bowl, whisk together 1/4 cup (50 mL) oil,

mint, lemon juice, mustard, garlic, and salt and pepper to taste. Place spinach, asparagus, onion and prosciutto in large bowl. Toss with just enough dressing to coat. Divide among salad plates. Sprinkle with Parmesan.



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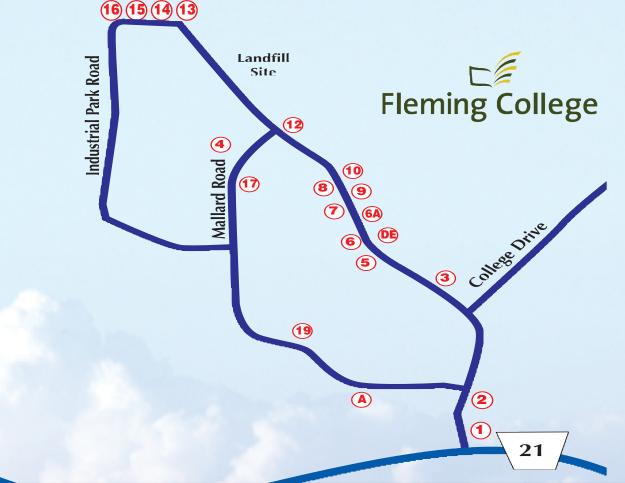
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fall down and break her hip, sports pouch, Sybil grabs her cellphone

don'tcha know. And it didn't take much to do it, neither. Why she just Maybelle's got out of bed one morning and WHAM! She was down for the count eyeballing her flip-flops.

Then, to add insult to injury, Margie yells for help, and what does Franklin, her 80 pound basset hound do? Why if he doesn't pad over to her favourite pillow, sink his long, short body down into it like a diva sausage,

then close his eyes and fall into a coma. Man's best friend? POSH! Certainly not

Why Franklin was not only NOT Lassie ... he wasn't even Snoopy! He was snoring so loud, Sybil Beaucannon Hughes (who came by to go walking with her that morning) couldn't hear Margie yelling, don'tcha know.

Now, Sybil has hands the size of bread baskets ... and so strong they can crack nuts. But no amount of pound-

hy if my good friend, Margie ing on Margie's door could bring her Fitzsimmons-Ship didn't friend to it. So, out of her handmade

> and calls Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom to shoot on over there.

> "IM-MEEE-GEE-ATELY!" she shouts, so dramatic-like with her posh British accent, you'd think she was being judged for the Oscars.

> Then faster than you can say: Ouch that hurts! There he is ... Officer McBottom, at the ready with a coffee in one hand and Timbits in t'other.

"Step aside," he tells Sybil, and forces the door open with his Stanley McBottom Emergency Kick-A-Door-Open-Foot-Extender machine. His latest invention, don'tcha know.

"Helllp! Hellppp meeeee!" Margie

And like a shot, Sybil and Officer McB get the Lake WhaddyathinkImean Fire Brigade transporting Margie to the Lake W Hospital before his coffee turned

Now, there was no way that Margie,

living alone with her diva dog, Franklin, was gonna be able to take care of herself after her hip operation. So, off she goes to Sybil's. And a good thing it was, too, because Margie was needing all the help she could get doing just about every-

Why she couldn't even bend down to pull her knickers up after doing her business in the little girl's room, don'tcha know. That's right. She had to tie them to her walker and haul 'em back up like

And getting into the shower. Why Margie had to back into THAT parking space while Sybil held her real firm-like, making sure she wasn't going to fall down again.

Now when things like this happen you got options. You can think it was the worst thing that ever happened to you, so everything else that's bugging you

will seem to disappear. Or, you can just go with the flow 'til you're in the pink again.

In Margie's case, her friendship with Sybil, as good as it was before her hip debacle, got even better. And oh, how those gals laughed. Why they not only turned lemons into lemonade, they drank it heartily ... with a beer chaser, don'tcha know.

Today, Margie's still on the mend, being driven all around Lake WhaddyathinkImean by her best friend, Sybil. And Franklin ... why he's still sleeping on her pillow, dreaming of one day being a cat.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Listen to "Fireside Stories from Lake WhaddyathinkImean" on 100.9 Canoe FM the second Sunday the month just after 5:00 during "Afternoon Delight."

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Humour and love find balance in Looking

Column by Rebecca Potter • Photo by Darren Lum

ometimes when you're not looking, you find exactly what you're looking for.

The third play to grace the stage for the Highlands Summer Festival, *Looking* left the crowd in fits of laughter as they followed the characters on their journey through love, lust and awkward double dates.

The brilliant acting, directed by Ralph Small, leads a compelling and provocative performance, believable to all ages. All four actors went through a range of emotions in the two-hour play, and mastered them all equally.

The sarcastic and money-minded Andy, played by Tom Regina, finally decides that he wants to be in a relationship, but feels that he has passed his prime to go to the bar and meet new women. His friend Matt, the free-spirited radio broadcaster played by Carl Dixon, helps him by trying to find a way he can put himself out there in the class of older singles.

Then there is Val, played by Myrna McBrien, the divorced and lonely nurse, ready to meet that person who will put the spark back in her eyes. Her police officer friend Nina, played by Lesley English, just wants someone to stay in her bed for the night, convinced that this "spark" that Val speaks of is totally phony.

As chance would have it, Val answers Andy's personal ad in the newspaper, and the four meet at the bar for a blind double date. While Nina and Matt repeatedly mention that they don't want to be involved, those phony sparks fly between them, while Val and Andy are left together for an awkwardly awful first date.

The four get tangled up together, and they realize that growing up doesn't make things easier. The quartet tries to understand love and friendship, with many witty jokes and power punch lines in between.

Powerful performances by all make Norm Foster's

Left, Tom Regina, as Andy, Carl Dixon, as Matt, Lesley English, as Nina, and Myrna McBrien, as Val, speak to each other over the telephone during a scene in the Highlands Summer Festival play, *Looking*.

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I love a parade

Awkward Moments column by Steve Galea • Photos by Jenn Watt

s with all Awkward Moments columns, this one started with a minor misunderstanding – and got worse from there.

Frankly, and as always, I blame it on fellow investigative journalist Chad Ingram. He's the one who volunteered us to participate in the Rotary Carnival Parade, but only because he was not truly listening to editor Jenn "Less-than-Jennerous" Watt.

She said Rotary. He heard rotisserie. And chicken on the spit is like kryptonite to Chad – it makes him drool more than usual.

In fact, he was salivating so much, I almost regretted setting him straight.

"You mean there's no chicken involved?" he snarled.

- "None," I replied.
- "What about turkey?"
- "No again," I said.
- "Pig?"
- "Jerk!" I countered.

Then, after several rounds of "I'm rubber, you're glue," we got to the business at hand.

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Chad and Steve have their root beer floats in hand while trying to make the best float for the Rotary Carnival Parade. Richard Van Nood of the Rotary Club is less than impressed.

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Not that kind of float

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It turned out that all Watt wanted us to do was to prepare a float for the parade.

"What kind of idiot would misinterpret that?" I asked Chad as we stood at the cash register and expensed vanilla ice cream, root beer and curly straws.

"I don't know, but these are going to be the best floats that parade ever saw!" he replied.

Needless to say, making them perfect took no small amount of development. The first floats we made were good, but they got even better when we found glasses to pour them in. You can only put so much ice cream in a cupped palm – I know this now.

Anyhow, after we downed the final prototype, Chad announced, "I think we're ready to meet Richard Van Naked."

"That's Van Nood," I replied. "It's Richard Van Nood."

"Maybe I should listen a bit better when Less-than-Jennerous speaks," he conceded.

I nodded.

Richard is the Rotary Club's parade organizer and a fairly decent fellow to boot. Interestingly, while the camera makes Chad and I appear freakishly short and squat, all but obliterating any sign of our six-pack abs and Olympic gymnast physiques, it makes Richard look taller and leaner than he actually is - as evidenced by the accompanying photos. The truth is he's actually much shorter than us.

In any case, when Richard told us he was representing the Rotary Club, I couldn't help but pose the question that most people are dying to ask.

"When is your club going get with the times and go touch-tone?" I queried.

Chad and I then demonstrated the concept on a phone we just happened to have with us.

Richard, obviously astounded by the technology, was not only speechless but shorter than us. (Don't let the photos fool you.)

Not that it matters.

I suppose it was a testament to how embarrassed he actually was when he stood there slack-jawed as we showed him our floats. And then slurped them back through our curly straws.

He just blanched.

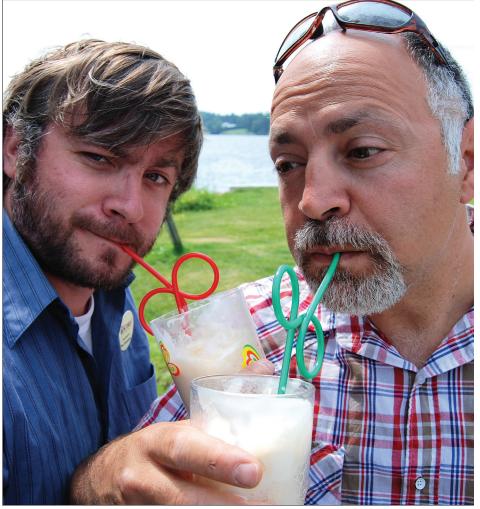
"It's OK," I announced. "We can make more!'

"I think you misunderstood," Richard

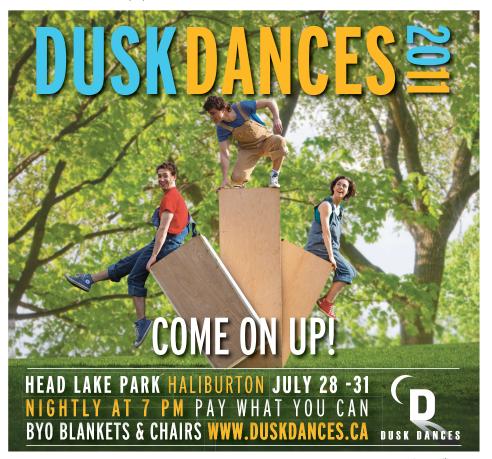
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Steve and Chad try to show Richard Van Nood, the Rotary Club's parade organizer, how a touch-tone telephone works.



Chad and Steve enjoy their float.

















Anything but work

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said.

It turned out that, unless we could put wheels and a motor on our cups, we couldn't enter them in the parade. On this, Richard was certain.

"But Watt says we have to represent our newspapers and do our civic duties," Chad pleaded. "Don't send us back!"

"Oh please don't made us go back as failures," I begged.

"How bad can it be?" he asked.

I'm not ashamed to tell you that I wept openly.

"She...she makes us copy edit each other," Chad shuddered.

Suddenly, the birds in the sky went silent and a dark cloud blocked the sun. "Dear Lord," Richard cried. "I've read

your work. That's inhumane."

And so it was that Richard saved us

from this horrid fate and appointed us to an important position in the parade.

I'm still not quite sure what it is. All I know is that we get to carry brooms and follow the horses.

You know, for such a short guy, Richard's OK.

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Burke to take stage at hoe down fundraiser

Column by Rebecca Potter

ith more than 50 years in the country music business, Canadian country music star Johnny Burke will be performing at the Country Music Hoe Down at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena in Minden on Saturday, Aug. 13. Having already worked with many of the artists in the festival, there is sure to be some great chemistry between all those performing.

Born in Rosaireville, N.B., he started his music career in Toronto. Burke and his various bands backed great country legends all over the country, and his traditional country voice is still sought after today.

Much like Burke, Paul Weber, another performing artist and a Juno nominee, also has a very extensive background in the country business.

"He is an excellent country singer, a traditional voice, and in most cases everyone would love this guy," Burke said.

Burke has been on various televi-

sion shows, including Country Music Hall with Carl Smith for five years, seven years as the host of At The Caribou, a syndicated television show and three years playing on The Funny Farm, all of which were aired on the CTV network.

Burke has 14 albums to date, on top of the many albums he has also performed on. In the span of five years, Burke has won four different Big Country Awards, including top country group, top country single for *Wild Honey*, and top instrumental group two years in a row.

A young but experienced performer, Linsey Beckett will also take the

Follow us on Twitter @ HaliburtonEcho or @MindenTimes stage in Minden. A very popular fiddler, Beckett just returned from a European tour.

"She will mesmerize people – she's a great fiddle player and tap dancer, and she really entertains well," Burke said.

Burke's band Eastwind, who will also be performing at the County Music Hoe Down, has had a total of 21 different musicians involved in it since its inception in 1968. Almost all of these great musicians have gone on to other bands in the country. The band mates that are with him now have been in the band for more than 20 years.

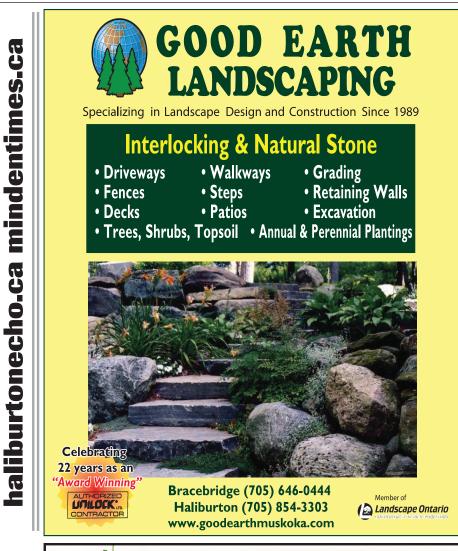
"My band Eastwind is probably one of the best country bands there is," Burke said.

Tickets are \$40, which include a buffet dinner, and all proceeds go to Canoe FM

"We're putting on a traditional country music show, it will be a lot of dancing and great county music," said Burke.

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A firm foundation

Walking Softly • Column by Steve Galea

he weathered cliff juts straight up at the water's edge. At its feet boulders descend silently into the depths of the lake, trailing off like the edges of a wedding dress that has spilled off a dais.

Its face has been marked by wind, water and the frosts of countless seasons. Each fissure, ledge and patch of moss reveal a history that's hard to fathom.

To the gulls that nested upon it this spring and the boys who dive off of its heights in summer, this is a sacred place – a towering icon that speaks volumes about the character and rugged grace of this land.

Immovable, resolute, unchanging in the span of a human's existence, there are countless places like this throughout the county. Some are passed in our daily travels, some sit in the back country waiting to be visited by the adventurous.

That we live in a place where rocks outnumber people is clear to anyone who cares to do the math. That those timeless features shaped this place is less obvious.

And yet it was.

Those same rocks we see today sent all but the most determined farmers packing for easier acres. They diverted roads, made development difficult and sent out a clear message that this was a wilder land, fit only for trapping, forestry, recreation and a different breed of people.

Once I heard a man say that all you could grow in this country is rocks. And, maybe, in some ways that's true.

But those great, weathered rocks that poke out from





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Rocks are the foundation that this beautiful land is built upon. These rocks help the terrain grow into what it is today.

fields and stand fixed in our forests and the hard winters that devalued this place to all but the most stubborn are what gave this place its character.

Those rocks, along with the woods they're strewn upon and the lakes they helped form, have relegated us to being a place where city people, worn and weary, long to visit.

And while an acre of prime Haliburton farmland would fetch a paltry sum compared to that down south, it now holds a different value and a different crop, so to speak.

While those remaining southern pastoral lands are lovely in their order and greenness, they have lost

much of what was natural somewhere along the way. The fencerows where cottontails thrived and the swales where mallards took refuge are gone for the most part – each acre being too precious to sit idle. They wait for the developer and will soon be something historians speak of as a footnote.

That's why it's time to take pride in these rocks. For they form the firm foundation upon which the deer, bear and moose run. They hold the cold, clear water from which loons call and fish still thrive. Grouse, now a rarity in those southern places, still drum here each spring.

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ou love cottage life and spend most summer weekends either renting a place or visiting the cottages of friends and relatives. Is it time to buy your own?

"If you buy a cottage, you are acquiring an appreciating asset," says chartered accountant Rolland Vaive of J. Rolland Vaive Professional Corporation in Orleans. "Some people have done very well financially from selling their cottages."

A major benefit of cottage ownership is being able to spend more time at a place you love.

"People work so hard today," adds Vaive.

"Buying a cottage forces them out of the city and into a lifestyle that perhaps sees them working five days a week instead of seven.'

Cottage ownership also provides an opportunity to make new "summer" friends and to share family activ-

"It changed my way of life," says chartered accountant Dennis Brabant, a partner with Brabant & Kretzschmann in Midland.

"I used to spend most Saturdays at the office before buying my cottage. Now the grandchildren are starting to enjoy the cottage and it has brought our family closer together."

But the attractions of cottage ownership can be outweighed by one big drawback – the cost.

'A cottage is expensive to own," says Brabant.

"In addition to the initial investment, you will have many other expenses, such as cottage repair and maintenance, buying and maintaining a boat and property taxes. Also be prepared to roll up your sleeves, because if you own a cottage there is always something that needs to be done."

Renting a cottage is less expensive than buying, and there are no hidden costs.

But at the end of the rental period you have no asset. "It's also rare to find a cottage available to rent for the whole season," adds Brabant.

If you do decide to rent, be sure to visit the site in advance and check out reviews by previous renters.

"So much enjoyment is based on a cottage's physical surroundings," says Vaive.

"You want to be sure you like it."

If you are leaning towards buying a cottage, be sure to consider the impact on your financial plan.

"If you are taking money out of your investments or borrowing to buy a cottage, it may have a detrimental effect on your financial plan," says Vaive.

"While the cottage will have value and becomes part of your net worth, you may never realize the gain because you may leave the cottage to your children instead of selling it."

Keep in mind that if you do sell your cottage for more than you paid for it, after including all the capital improvements you have made, the gain is taxable.

"You can shelter the capital gain through the principal residence exemption, but then the sale of your house won't be sheltered," advises Vaive.

"It can be a very complex decision, so you should get professional advice on how to handle the capital gains implications."

One way to reduce the cost of owning a cottage is to rent it out for part of the year.

"Renting it will help you recover your costs, but renters usually want it during the prime summer vacation period," says Brabant.

"You may not want to lose access to it during that

time of year."

If you are thinking about buying a cottage, be sure to talk over the pros and cons with a chartered accoun-

'Your CA can look at your overall financial plan and help you decide whether the cost of buying and maintaining a cottage will leave your finances too tight," says Vaive. "Your CA can also help you understand the tax implications of selling your cottage, if and when the time comes.'

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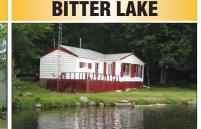
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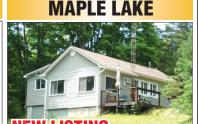
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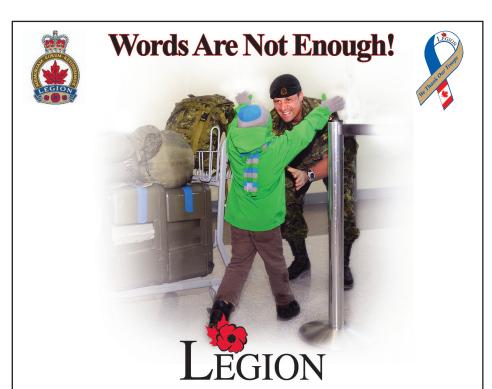
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Hawk Lake dock concerns persist

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Algonquin Highlands council is attempting to deal with problems at the government-owned dock at Little Hawk

The dock is supposed to be used only for loading and unloading purposes for the many people who own wateraccess properties on the lake, but is often used for parking boats, causing problems for those trying to load and

"This is not a new issue, whatsoever," said Reeve Carol Moffatt during the July 21 council meeting.

The length of the dock has been reduced, from more than 100 feet to about 75, and while it seems there have been requests from some on the lake to add another section on to the dock, this doesn't seem to be an option council is willing to consider.

"More docking just means more places for people to park illegally," Moffatt said.

Some of the boats using the dock for mooring purposes belong to contractors and township bylaw enforcement officer Mitch O'Grady suggested council deal with the issue by creating some kind of bylaw.

'That's the only way it's going to stop," he said.

One idea council might consider, O'Grady said, was to designate a space or two for the mooring of contractor boats and charge the contractors \$500 a week to use them. The money could be put back into the maintenance of the

Public works director Brian Whetstone pointed out that it is not just contractors who are using the dock to park boats.

O'Grady also suggested handing out \$300 tickets for illegally parked boats.

Enforcing such a bylaw would cost the township money, likely in the form of staff overtime.

"It's not free," said Moffatt, who was hopeful that putting up signage might do the trick.

The idea of towing away illegally parked boats was also brought up, although it seemed to be agreed that option would cause too many problems.

Moffatt intends to the discuss the matter with the members of Halls and Hawk Lakes Property Owners Assocation at their annual general meeting this weekend.

'You can't make a decision of this nature in a vacuum,"

Association delivers post office plea

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the July 21 meeting of Algonquin Highlands council.

Devolin expressing concern that some residents of Algonquin Highlands township may not receive their mail addressed to the old postal code after Aug. 16.

On Aug. 16 of last year, the former K0M 1S0 code was changed to K0M 1J1,

'Unfortunately this change has caused a multitude of problems for your constituents that almost a year later remain unresolved," Maple, Beech and Cameron Lakes

> Area Property Owners' Association president Paul MacInnes wrote in a letter to council.

The letter explained that the Service Canada website doesn't recognize the new postal code, nor do some businesses.

"In the last few months we have been receiving threatening letters from Canada Post saying that they will soon stop delivering our mail [Aug. 16] if it is not addressed to the new postal code," MacInnes wrote. "How are they to do this when our own government does not recognize this new postal code?'

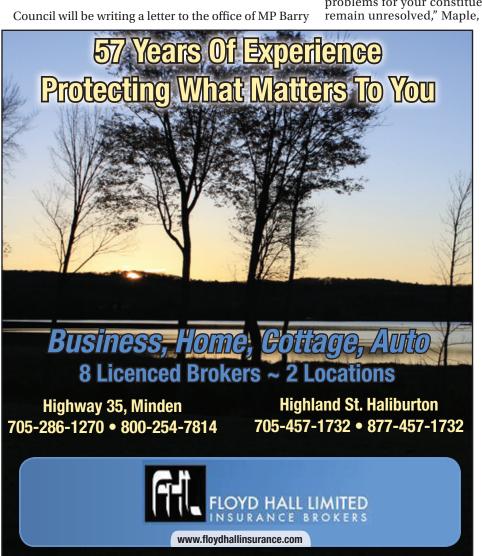
One resident had trouble checking into hotels in Florida this winter since his address could not be veri-

"It's ridiculous, it's just ridiculous," said Reeve Carol Moffatt, who added she'd been told that a letter from council would help the issue get dealt with at the federal level.

Stanhope scorcher

Stanhope Airport man-

ager John Packer reported



that the temperature at the airport reached 33.6°C at 1:30 p.m. or so on July 21.

Algonquin Highlands council voted to open the Stanhope Firefighters Community Centre as a cooling station for the day.

Mining road allowance

Councillors were visited by surveyor Greg Bishop, representing Francis Thomas Contracting Ltd., which owns a pit and quarry off of Highway 35 near Boshkung Lake.

Bishop was requesting council allow the company to mine through a 20-metre municipal road allowance that runs through the pit, which he said would keep mining operations going in a north-south direction and thus away from the high-

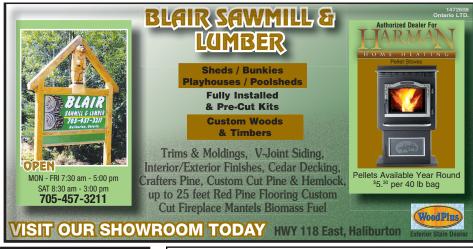
Public works director Brian Whetstone had concerns about exactly how an agreement would work since he said there was likely millions of dollars worth of materials under the ground on the municipal property.

The matter was referred to

staff to get more information.

Improvements at Crown Lake

Trails coordinator Mark Coleman said while there was litter at the public access area at Crown Lake following the Canada Day long weekend, there was less garbage and destruction at the problematic camping area than usual. For years there have been problems with partying and littering at the site near the township's northern boundary including the use of homemade toilets near the water - and this summer the township and the MNR have cooperated on a sign campaign to mitigate damage at the site.



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Patti FleuryAround the Town

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Monday morning and the sound of rain came as a welcome wakeup call after last week's oppressive heat wave. At the old farmhouse not only did the garden, well and ponies benefit from the deluge, but human dispositions significantly improved as well. Tuesday morning and thoughts were with our grand-daughter Emma in Toronto on the set of HBO's television series *Good Dog*. While only a small role, it's a step forward into her rainbow. The episode will not air until September, but HBO had a new subscriber minutes after Grandpa heard the news.

This week's featured guests at the Thursday evening Music in the Park series are Trina West and Amelia Edmunds so bring along family, friends and lawn chairs for the 6:30 p.m. start at the picnic pavilion in Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Next Thursday, Aug. 4 well-known area artist Zoe Chilco will once again bring her talent centre stage. This series sponsored by the Kinmount and District Lions Club continues through August.

Further to the Lions Club nominations for the 2011 Kinmount Lions Citizen of the Year should be directed to the club at Box 15, Kinmount, Ont., K0M 2A0 by Aug. 12. This significant recognition is paid annually to an individual from the Kinmount area whose dedicated voluntary service has helped to make the community a better place. A supporting letter outlining the rationale for the nomination should be included. Previous winners are Tom Lang, Joyce Brown, Madeline Pearson, Carole Jones, Jean Anderson, Keith Stata, Lynne Kilbv. Ambrose Ferren, Ralph Pearson and Yvette Brauer.

From the ladies auxiliary, legion branch 441, an invitation to its all-you-can-eat brunch July 30 from 9 a.m. to

1 p.m. at Legion Hall. There is a terrific variety of menu items including home fries, eggs, ham, pancakes, barbecue beef on a bun and beverages plus a delicious strawberry dessert. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Monday evening its family bingo at 6:30 p.m. continuing through August with admission by donation. If you have bingo chips please bring them.

There will be bargains galore at the upcoming Kinmount seniors' annual yard sale, bake sale, silent auction and barbecue this Saturday, July 30 (raindate July 31) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Railway Station. Vendor tables are only \$6 and available by calling 705-488-1110.

Local tai chi classes at the Galway Hall have proven very popular and if you would like to learn more about tai chi, mark your calendars for Aug. 18. There will be outdoor demonstrations in Austin Sawmill Heritage Park between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Watch this column for general details. For more specific information about classes and a schedule of demonstrations please call 705-286-1444.

Programs for this year's famous Kinmount Fair are available around town and on the website at www.kinmountfair.net. This year's fair dates are Sept. 2 to 4 with all elementary school-aged children admitted to the grounds free of charge on Sept. 2 to celebrate children's day at the fair. Entries are encouraged from young women and men between the ages of 17 and 23 who live within a 50-kilometre radius of Kinmount for the ambassador competition. The successful candidate will represent Kinmount at the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies Convention in Toronto, the CNE and various other functions providing a great opportunity to meet other young people across Ontario and to build life skills. For more information and to receive an entry form please contact Susan Pearson at 705-488-2547.

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Join YWCA Women's Centre of Haliburton County and the Minden Food Bank at the It Takes a Community walk to end poverty Saturday, July 30.

Registration is at 10:30 a.m. at the Loggers' Crossing pavilion on Invergordon Avenue in Minden. Walk begins at 11 a.m. Choose to complete one, three or five laps of the picturesque Minden Riverwalk and raise pledges to help conquer poverty in

T-shirts (while quantities last), refreshments provided by Tim Hortons, and special guests the Abbey North Drummers will join us on the walk.

For more information please contact Sarah Adams, resource revelopment coordinator, at 705-457-0260 or email sadamsywcahal@bellnet.ca.

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Bring a lawn chair and sit by the Gull River







Garage sales galore in Stanhope this weekend

Coming Events

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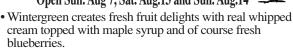
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Stanhope Life

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This weekend is another long weekend and you know what that means ... garage sales! Yes, we are jumping on the bandwagon and having one too. Come out this Saturday and see what hidden treasures you can find!

Coming soon in our neighbourhood: Evensong at Twelve Mile Lake Church on Saturday, Aug. 6 starting at 6 p.m. It will be an old-fashioned evening featuring music by the Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders. The location of this quaint little church is just south of Carnarvon on the corner of Chambers and Omagaki roads. Bring your lawn chair, get out and enjoy an evening with friends and neighbours. This is an annual event put together by the Friends of Twelve Mile Lake Church. Don't miss the bake sale and raffles!

Mark your calendar. On Aug. 17 the men of the Zion United Church will be preparing and serving a roast beef dinner. It's always guaranteed delicious and always a pleasure to be around our neighbours and friends. More information will follow later.

There's talk about getting a pool in either the Haliburton or Minden area. Carnarvon would be good too but that would be self-serving. This pool would benefit all ages and would be well used. The first step in realizing this goal is a market demand feasibility study so if you wish to contribute to achieving this dream, please send your cheque payable to "Pool Survey Fund" c/o Bank of Montreal, 194 Highland St., P.O. Box 509, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0 to the attention of Laurie Johnson or just drop in personally and make a donation. More information can be obtained if you write to them directly at ourpool@hotmail.com.

Make a difference! Have a great week.

community What's happening in the County



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- July 27: Haliburton Toast Masters Club will be meeting July 27th, August 10th & 24th. Please call 705-286-2624 for location and for more information.
- July 29: Highland Yard: at 6pm includes a 10km run 5km run or 2km family walk For more information call
- July 29: Haliburton County Farmers' Market Located at That Place in Carnarvon, 1pm-5pm Every For info call Angela McGreevy @ 705 457-9843
- July 29.30 & 31: HART "Toss A Toonie" Charity/BBQ from 11:00 a.m. Located at Bancroft No Frills All proceeds to HART for the rescue of stray, injured, and abandoned dogs and cats
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- July 31:Afternoon Tea Sponsored by the Coboconk Railway Station Restoration Committee between 1 & 3 p.m Call 705-454-1878 for further information.
- July 31: Sizzling Summer Service 4 at 10:30am Head Lake Park, sponsored by Haliburton Ministerial Association for more info call Bev Hicks at 705-455-9656
- Aug 6: Zechariah 4:6 Ministries is having a fundraiser flea market from 9-3 at Haliburton Legion. Also vendors are still needed, call 705 457-3107

- August 6: H.H.O.A Children's Fishing Derby at Haliburton Docks
- August 6: HCSA 5th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament at Haliburton Highlands Golf Course, 3180 Kashagawigamog Lk. Rd. \$65 per person. Registration at 12noon Gunshot Start 1pm call 705-457-4263 or 705-457-2233
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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Stone carving and library activities



Melissa Alfano

Dorset News

705-766-0076 melalfano@hotmail.com

Don't miss out on the stone carving studio taking place on July 29 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the recreation centre. Registration is required so call 705-766-1382 to ensure the class runs. Learn from Elise Muller how to create a stone necklace or sculpture. \$25 to participate plus materials and it is suitable for youth and adults.

Storytime for kids is taking place at the Dorset branch of the Haliburton County Public Library on Thursdays in July and August from 7 to 8 p.m. All are welcome to attend even if you don't have a library card and the program is free.

The next meeting of the Dorset Book Club takes place on Aug. 3 at the Dorset branch of the Haliburton County Public Library from 1 to 2 p.m. The topic is what you are currently reading and all are welcome. For more information, give Ruth or Sandy a call at 705-766-9969.

Come out to Creative Express Art Nights on Thursday evenings through July and Aug. from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Each week one or more different artistic projects will be created. Elise is a trained expressive arts facilitator and will lead you through the process. To pre-register, call Elise at 705-766-1382. \$15 per person and the class is suitable for youth and adults.

Join the fun with Logan and Jenny at family movie night at the Dorset Recreation Centre on July 27 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.



The Minden Rotary Club and our partners, The Minden Kin. The Minden Agricultural Society and The Minden Legion, would like to thank everyone who made our Bluegrass Festival on July 15 - 17th such a success.

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This event could not have been accomplished without the assistance of our many many volunteers and a special thank you goes to Teresa and Johnny Burke, **Peter Deveau and Doug Tebworth**

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Rotary Club of Minden

Admission by donation, the popcorn is free and beverages will be available for purchase. Call 705-766-9968 for information.

The annual Dorset Arts and Crafts Show in the Dorset parkette is taking place on July 31 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Dorset Lions Club will also be hosting a barbecue and bake sale at the show so come out and support this cause. All funds raised by the Lions Club go back into community projects. If you are interested in being a craft vendor, please call 705-766-9968 for more information or to obtain a craft show application.

Birthday wishes for July 24 to 30 go out to Eve Adkins, Alicia Galloway, Brent Card, Alex Hamilton and happy anniversary to Bill and Sue Schiedel. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day! To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

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Thursday, September 22, 2011

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